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FINANCE DEPARTMENT

G.O. Ms. No. 542. Dated the 29th May 1948.

Read:-

G.O. No. 78, Finance, dated 6.2.1947.
Board's Proceedings (Routine) No. 2084 dated 4.4.1948.

Order:-

In G.O. No. 78, Finance, dated 6.2.1947, the Government sanctioned inter alia a scheme of house rent allowances to Government servants on pay upto Rs. 80/- employed in Madras City and mufassal Municipalities with a population of over 50,000. The population in some of the District Headquarters Towns (e.g. Anantapur, Cuddapah, Kurnool and Chittoor) is less than 50,000 and Government servants employed in these towns are not therefore eligible for house-rent allowance. It has been suggested that although the population of such towns is less than 50,000 the scarcity of residential accommodation in the towns is very acute owing to several factors, e.g. opening of new offices, etc. and that the scheme of house rent allowances should be extended to them. Though the Government recognise that there is some force in the suggestion, they are unable to extend the scheme straightaway to towns of the class mentioned above, in the absence of information as to the extent of scarcity of accommodation in those towns and the extra cost likely to be incurred by extending the scheme to them. After a careful consideration of all the relevant factors, the Government have decided that it is best to leave it to the Collectors concerned to make out a special case for extension of the scheme to any District Headquarters Town which is not now covered by the scheme and in which there is acute shortage of housing accommodation. The Collectors concerned are therefore requested to submit proposals in this regard, if necessary, with an estimate of the extra cost involved (on the basis of the rates sanctioned in G.O. Ms. No. 78, Finance, dated 6.2.1947) taking into account Government servants of all departments employed in these towns. Chingleput and Ootacamund should be excluded for this purpose as most of the District Offices are not located in the former, while there is provision for payment of Hill Allowance in the latter to compensate for the costliness of living.

(By Order of His Excellency the Governor).

T.N.S. Raghavan,
Secretary to Government.

To

The Board of Revenue (Lr. and I).
The Collectors of Anantapur, Cuddapah, Chittoor, Kurnool, Chingleput and Nilgiris.
The Departments of the Secretariat.

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